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In re Application of:
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For: Components of thermostatic units and laser
welding method for producing the components

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Prior to substantive examination, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.